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February 16, 2012

Mr. William J. Clarke
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Region 4
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RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED VIA EMAIL

Mr. Kenneth Eng Air Compliance Branch United States Environmental Protection Agency Region 2 290 Broadway

New York, NY 10007-1866 RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED VIA EMAIL

Re: Norlite Corporation-MACT Excessive Exceedance Report

Kiln 1: 02/02/12 – 02/15/12 Kiln 2: 02/02/12 – 02/15/12

Dear Sirs:

In accordance with 40 CFR 63.1206(c)(3)(vi), the Norlite Corporation (Norlite) is submitting an "Excessive Exceedance Report" for the timeframe of 02/02/12 thru 02/15/12. The attached document explains each of the "malfunctions" for Kiln One & Two.

The results of the investigation concluded the majority of the exceedances were a result of the span limit associated with the stack gas flow monitor. During several days of operation, Norlite experienced strong wind gusts and extreme cold out of the northwest and west. The strong winds plus the extreme cold caused the steam to condense in the stack. The condensed water droplets affected the Stack Gas Flow Meter. Norlite and its consultant will continue to evaluate each exceedance in order to implement the proper corrective action to further decrease the amount of MACT exceedances.

All of the malfunctions that occurred were consistent with our Startup, Shutdown and Malfunction Plan (SSMP). As approved by the NYSDEC on February 6, 2006, these reports are being sent electronically.

Should you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact me at (518) 235-0401 or email at: tvanvranken@norlitecorp.com.

Sincerely,

Thomas Van Vranken

Thomas Van Vranken Environmental Manager

Attachments

ecc: Don Spencer, NYDEC – R4 w/attachments

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NORLITE CORPORATION MACT EXCEEDANCE REPORT - KILN 1

02/02/12 - 02/15/12

| Start Date | Start Time | End Date | End Time | Downtime | # | Event | Cause | Parameter | Limit | Corrective Action |
|------------|------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------|----|-------------|--|---|-------|--|
| 2/6/2012 | 4:32:32 | 2/6/2012 | 5:32:22 | 0:59:50 | 35 | Malfunction | Instantaneous Upper Instrument Setpoint Reached for LGF Flow Span | LGF Flow | Span | Adjusted Fuel Flow |
| 2/6/2012 | 7:45:52 | 2/6/2012 | 7:51:11 | 0:05:19 | 36 | Malfunction | While Controlling LGF Line Pressure with Valves, a Fuel Flow Surge was Experienced which caused a Pressure Pulse in the Kiln System / No Fugitive Emissions were Witnessed | Back Chamber Pressure, 1 Second Delay | Opl | Adjusted LGF Pump Pressure to Allow Finer Adjustments at the Kilns |
| 2/8/2012 | 0:56:45 | 2/8/2012 | 0:57:12 | 0:00:27 | 37 | Malfunction | Instantaneous Upper Instrument Setpoint Reached for Stack Gas Span | Stack Gas Flow Rate | Span | Adjusted Fuel Flow |



NORLITE CORPORATION MACT EXCEEDNACE REPORT - KILN 2 02/02/12 - 02/15/12

| Start Date | Start Time | End Date | End Time | Downtime | # | Event | Cause | Parameter | Limit | Corrective Action |
|------------|------------|-----------|----------|----------|----|-------------|--|--|-------|--|
| 2/2/2012 | 15:12:12 | 2/2/2012 | 17:29:35 | 2:17:23 | 71 | Malfunction | Instantaneous Upper Instrument Setpoint Reached for Stack Gas Span | Stack Gas Flow Rate | Span | Adjusted Fuel Flow |
| 2/6/2012 | 5:10:27 | 2/6/2012 | 5:10:58 | 0:00:31 | 72 | Malfunction | While Controlling LGF Line Pressure with Valves, a Fuel Flow Surge was Experienced which caused a Pressure Pulse in the Kiln System / No Fugitive Emissions were Witnessed | Back Chamber Pressure, 1 Second Delay | Opl | Adjusted LGF Pump Pressure to Allow Finer Adjustments at the Kilns |
| 2/9/2012 | 18:04:37 | 2/9/2012 | 18:04:58 | 0:00:21 | 73 | Malfunction | While Controlling LGF Line Pressure with Valves, a Fuel Flow Surge was Experienced which caused a Pressure Pulse in the Kiln System / No Fugitive Emissions were Witnessed | Back Chamber Pressure, 1 Second Delay | Opl | Adjusted LGF Pump Pressure to Allow Finer Adjustments at the Kilns |
| 2/10/2012 | 2:45:13 | 2/10/2012 | 2:45:38 | 0:00:25 | 74 | Malfunction | While Controlling LGF Line Pressure with Valves, a Fuel Flow Surge was Experienced which caused a Pressure Pulse in the Kiln System / No Fugitive Emissions were Witnessed | Back Chamber Pressure, 1 Second Delay | Opl | Adjusted LGF Pump Pressure to Allow Finer Adjustments at the Kilns |
| 2/10/2012 | 2:46:19 | 2/10/2012 | 2:46:35 | 0:00:16 | 75 | Malfunction | While Controlling LGF Line Pressure with Valves, a Fuel Flow Surge was Experienced which caused a Pressure Pulse in the Kiln System / No Fugitive Emissions were Witnessed | Back Chamber Pressure, 1 Second Delay | Opl | Adjusted LGF Pump Pressure to Allow Finer Adjustments at the Kilns |
| 2/12/2012 | 1:38:59 | 2/12/2012 | 1:41:43 | 0:02:44 | 76 | Malfunction | Extreme Cold and Strong Wind Gusts Out of the West Caused the Instantaneous Upper Instrument Setpoint to be Reached for Stack Gas | Stack Gas Flow Rate | Span | Adjusted Fuel Flow |
| 2/12/2012 | 2:31:29 | 2/12/2012 | 2:31:53 | 0:00:24 | 77 | Malfunction | Extreme Cold and Strong Wind Gusts Out of the West Caused the Instantaneous Upper Instrument Setpoint to be Reached for Stack Gas | Stack Gas Flow Rate | Span | Adjusted Fuel Flow |
| 2/12/2012 | 3:24:32 | 2/12/2012 | 3:24:56 | 0:00:24 | 78 | Malfunction | Extreme Cold and Strong Wind Gusts Out of the West Caused the Instantaneous Upper Instrument Setpoint to be Reached for Stack Gas | Stack Gas Flow Rate | Span | Adjusted Fuel Flow |
| 2/12/2012 | 7:16:47 | 2/12/2012 | 7:31:28 | 0:14:41 | 79 | Malfunction | Extreme Cold and Strong Wind Gusts Out of the West Caused the Instantaneous Upper Instrument Setpoint to be Reached for Stack Gas | Stack Gas Flow Rate | Span | Adjusted Fuel Flow |
| 2/12/2012 | 19:20:59 | 2/12/2012 | 19:21:21 | 0:00:22 | 80 | Malfunction | Extreme Cold and Strong Wind Gusts Out of the West Caused the Instantaneous Upper Instrument Setpoint to be Reached for Stack Gas | Stack Gas Flow Rate | Span | Adjusted Fuel Flow |
| 2/12/2012 | 19:34:35 | 2/12/2012 | 19:34:59 | 0:00:24 | 81 | Malfunction | Extreme Cold and Strong Wind Gusts Out of the West Caused the Instantaneous Upper Instrument Setpoint to be Reached for Stack Gas | Stack Gas Flow Rate | Span | Adjusted Fuel Flow |
| 2/12/2012 | 19:42:38 | 2/12/2012 | 19:43:11 | 0:00:33 | 82 | Malfunction | Extreme Cold and Strong Wind Gusts Out of the West Caused the Instantaneous Upper Instrument Setpoint to be Reached for Stack Gas | Stack Gas Flow Rate | Span | Adjusted Fuel Flow |
| 2/12/2012 | 20:03:02 | 2/12/2012 | 20:03:45 | 0:00:43 | 83 | Malfunction | Extreme Cold and Strong Wind Gusts Out of the West Caused the Instantaneous Upper Instrument Setpoint to be Reached for Stack Gas | Stack Gas Flow Rate | Span | Adjusted Fuel Flow |

| 2/12/2012 | 20:23:10 | 2/12/2012 | 20:23:33 | 0:00:23 | 84 | Malfunction | Extreme Cold and Strong Wind Gusts Out of the West Caused the Instantaneous Upper Instrument Setpoint to be Reached for Stack Gas | Stack Gas Flow Rate | Span | Adjusted Fuel Flow |
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| 2/12/2012 | 20:24:23 | 2/12/2012 | 20:24:51 | 0:00:28 | 85 | Malfunction | Extreme Cold and Strong Wind Gusts Out of the West Caused the Instantaneous Upper Instrument Setpoint to be Reached for Stack Gas | Stack Gas Flow Rate | Span | Adjusted Fuel Flow |
| 2/12/2012 | 20:52:19 | 2/12/2012 | 20:52:38 | 0:00:19 | 86 | Malfunction | Extreme Cold and Strong Wind Gusts Out of the West Caused the Instantaneous Upper Instrument Setpoint to be Reached for Stack Gas | Stack Gas Flow Rate | Span | Adjusted Fuel Flow |
| 2/14/2012 | 3:43:28 | 2/14/2012 | 3:44:00 | 0:00:32 | 87 | Malfunction | Instantaneous Upper Instrument Setpoint Reached for LGF Flow Span | LGF Flow | Span | Adjusted Fuel Flow |